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REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 1 – 22 are pending in this application. The Examiner has previously indicated that claims 1 – 5 are allowable, for which the Examiner is thanked. Claims 6 – 22 are newly added and correspond to claims 1 – 6, 8 – 11, 13, 14 and 16 – 20 of United States Patent No. 6,364,519.

The present application and the above identified claims of U.S.P.N. 6,364,519 are the subject of Patent Interference No. 105,160 before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. The client of the undersigned counsel owns all rights and interests in U.S.P.N. 6,364,519 and has recently obtained an assignment of all rights and interests in the present application. A copy of the assignment is attached hereto.

The undersigned has recently taken steps to resolve Patent Interference No. 105,160, requesting adverse judgment to be taken against the claims of U.S.P.N. 6,364,519 which correspond to the count of the interference (claims 1 – 6, 8 – 11, 13, 14 and 16 – 20 of U.S.P.N. 6,364,519).

Newly added claims 6 – 22 are supported by the specification and figures of the present application. Hence, no new matter is added by this amendment. The undersigned respectfully requests entry of the present amendment and allowance of all pending claims.

The undersigned authorizes fees for the additional claim(s) in the amount of \$208.00 to be charged to Deposit Account number 11-0855. If there are any

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matters that can be addressed by telephone, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned at (404) 815-6291.

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